



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1640**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Emad S. Alnemri
Application No. : 09/939,293
Filed : August 24, 2001
For : AN IAP BINDING PEPTIDE OR POLYPEPTIDE AND METHODS
OF USING THE SAME

Examiner : Minh Tam B. Davis
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

The present amendment is filed with a Request for Continued Examination and is a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.